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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM BRADDOCK DISTRICT
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REDISTRICTING RESULTED IN BOUNDARY CHANGES, KNOW WHERE YOU VOTE

For some Braddock residents, redistricting may mean a change in your voting location for the November 8 election. The August edition of the Braddock Beacon included an article summarizing changes to polling stations and state legislative districts in the Braddock District necessitated by the redistricting bills approved by the Virginia General Assembly. In Braddock, changes were made to precincts that previously voted at Canterbury Woods Elementary School, Kings Park Elementary School, Lake Braddock Secondary School, Little Run Elementary School, Olde Creek Elementary School and W.T. Woodson High School.

For those in affected areas, the following should provide a more detailed breakdown of changes that voters in the Braddock District can expect this Fall:

Residents of Danbury Forest as well as residents of Kings Park living on portions of Southhampton, Eastborne, Kempton, and Clydesdale who used to vote at Kings Park Elementary School will now vote at Kings Glen Elementary School. All other residents of Kings Park will continue voting at Kings Park Elementary School.

Residents of all streets north of Braddock Road who used to vote at Lake Braddock Secondary School (Bayard Place, El James Drive, Bexley Lane, Asquith Court, Hobart Court, Kenerson Drive, Kenerson Court, and parts of Olley Lane and Guinea Road) will now vote at Canterbury Woods Elementary School.

Residents north of Ashmeade Drive (on Ashmeade Drive, Elizabeth Lane, Walker Street, Littleton Street, Ellenwood Lane, Doveville Lane, Joyce Street, Hunt Road, Shearman Street, Lynchburg Court, Taylor

Drive, Shari Drive, Nester Road, Hadley Lane, and Barker Court) who used to vote at Little Run Elementary School will now vote at W.T. Woodson High School.

Residents who live between Whitacre Road and Burke Station Road on Laurel Street, Worcester Drive, Limoges Drive, Maple Avenue, and Minton Drive who used to vote at Olde Creek Elementary School will now vote at W.T. Woodson High School.

All other residents who used to vote at Olde Creek Elementary School (between Olley Lane, Whitacre Road, and Fairfax Memorial Park) will now vote at Little Run Elementary School.

Residents who live between Roberts Road and Ox Road (including on the George Mason University Campus) who used to vote at W.T. Woodson High School will now vote in University Hall on the George Mason University campus.

For a map of the new Braddock District visit: http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/maps/images/maps/bosdist/bos_maps/braddock_district_map.pdf

In addition to changes in polling stations, many residents in the Braddock District have been redistricted into new state legislative districts by the Virginia General Assembly. For those maps you can go to page 8 of this Beacon or visit the links below to see maps of the new legislative boundaries for the Virginia House of Delegates and the Virginia State Senate:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/maps/images/maps/handouts/pdf07/DelegateDistricts.pdf>

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/maps/images/maps/handouts/pdf07/SenateDistricts.pdf>



Supervisor John C. Cook

ATTENTION HOMEOWNER AND CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS:

Please continue to let us know about your successful Community Engagement efforts. Keep up the good work!

Please call (703) 425-9300 or email Ann Sharp at ann.sharp@fairfaxcounty.gov with your latest information.

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If you would like the Braddock Beacon and the Cook Advisory electronically, instead of through mail, please contact us at braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov and write "Beacon Subscribe" in the subject line.

BRADDOCK DISTRICT NOW ON FACEBOOK

Be sure to stay up to date on the Braddock District. See: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Burke-VA/Office-of-Braddock-Supervisor-John-C-Cook/113003565389251?ref=sgm>

NOVEMBER SCHOOL BOND SUPPORTS BRADDOCK SCHOOLS

The Board of Supervisors is committed to keeping our public schools the high-achieving, world-beating system that it is. To meet that goal requires a significant investment and occasionally, that occurs through the County issuance of municipal bonds so that capital improvements and renovations can occur.

Because state law requires that voters approve bonds - since they are a future obligation for taxpayers - this November, there will be a school bond referendum totaling more than \$250 million on the ballot. The County's strict adherence to a rigorous set of fiscal guidelines has enabled us to maintain the coveted triple-A bond rating from all three major rating agencies. This allows us to sell bonds at exceptionally low interest rates, creating a positive benefit for our taxpayers.

This year, as always, a great number of worthwhile projects for schools around the County are included. For a complete list, please visit: <http://fcps.edu/news/bond11.htm>. For the projects benefiting the Braddock District directly, take a look at the list below:

Capacity Enhancement

Fairfax Villa Elementary: \$3,129,294

Elementary School Renovation

Canterbury Woods (Construction):

\$14,894,268

Terra Centre (Planning & Construction):

\$16,614,596

North Springfield (Planning): \$899,000

Keene Mill (Planning): \$908,010

Middle School Renovation

Thoreau (Planning) \$2,175,000

High School Renovation

West Springfield (Planning): \$5,950,000

I am proud to have voted with my colleagues on the Board in favor of the County issuing this bond, and I look forward to the great improvements it will bring to our schools.



EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK ON THE GUINEA ROAD BRIDGE HAS BEGUN

As we announced in last week's "Cook Advisory," after much delay, the emergency repair work to the Guinea Road Bridge at Long Branch began on October 10.

VDOT is undertaking emergency replacement of the badly deteriorated stormwater culverts under Guinea Road. These culverts actually provide part of the underpinning for the bridge itself. VDOT intended to maintain two lanes of traffic at all times during normal traffic hours. However, due to the unexpected need to encase an aging sewer line that runs parallel to the road, reroute a water line and relocate a previously uncharted gas line, the original four month project will need to through the winter months, and VDOT is working actively to accelerate the schedule. The complete renovation of the bridge is slated to last approximately 9 months.

After discussions with the community during an informational meeting hosted by Supervisor Cook, VDOT does intend to close the road at the bridge to thru traffic from 9:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday for the duration of the project. VDOT will also need to close the bridge for up to four weekends over

the duration of the nine month contract. The contractor is required to give the community ample notice of such closures and this office will be sure to get the word out as well. Additionally, Supervisor Cook is committed to keeping the community apprised of any issues that arise with construction, including upcoming closings.

Since the community meeting, there have been two significant changes to the Plan:

- The sidewalk has been extended on both sides of the road for several hundred feet – basically, the length of the retaining walls. This may turn out to be a good alternative if the pedestrian bridge on the current trail is ever washed out or otherwise taken out of service.

- VDOT also intends to replace the existing and collapsing culverts with a temporary culvert. There were concerns that the existing culverts would not hold up under construction loading from dump trucks, excavators, and other heavy vehicles. This work will occur simultaneously with the sanitary sewer encasement, possibly using a one-time weekend closure to get both tasks done quickly so that the rest of the work can proceed.

PLANNING FOR WEST CAMPUS CONNECTOR CONTINUES WITH OPEN HOUSE MEETING

The Braddock District will soon receive a significant transportation improvement. Funding has been identified for George Mason University's proposed "West Campus Connector." The exact design of the road has yet to be determined, but the intent of the bypass is to keep eastbound traffic headed toward campus and westbound traffic leaving campus from entering the intersection of Braddock and Route 123. As a result of the bypass, a 10 to 30 percent reduction in congestion is expected at Braddock and Route 123.

While a strong supporter of the connector, Supervisor Cook is committed to keeping the community involved as the project is designed and constructed. To meet that

goal, in addition to open meetings, a small task force of community members, the West Campus Connector Advisory Group (WCCAG), has been formed and will be closely involved in the project design.

A second open house on this project is scheduled for October 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Fairfax City Hall, 10455 Armstrong Street. At this meeting the Advisory Group will present the design options currently on the table.

This is an important meeting and those interested in the West Campus Connector are strongly encouraged to attend. For more information call Kiel Stone at 703-425-9300.

SUPERVISOR COOK IN THE COMMUNITY

On September 1, Supervisor Cook, other elected officials and the Sheriff's Office, participated in the annual Shop With a Sheriff event. Members were paired up with children from a local shelter and helped them shop for clothing and school supplies. This event happens annually at the Burke Target. Later that evening, Supervisor Cook attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for the newly refinished eight lane track at Robinson Secondary School.

On September 3, Supervisor Cook helped at the start of a mini-walk for the homeless. Sponsored by FACETS, the walk started at Commonwealth Swim Club and went around Lake Royal. During Labor Day weekend, Supervisor Cook attended a number of neighborhood events. On Sunday he stopped by Long Branch and on Monday he attended the St. Mary's event.

On September 7, Supervisor Cook attended a meet and greet at the Woodlands Retirement Center in Fairfax and then stopped by Ravensworth Elementary School for a PTA Ice Cream Social.

On September 8, Supervisor Cook stopped by the Red Fox Forest Civic Association meeting before heading out to a meeting of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission on which he serves.

On September 9, Supervisor Cook held a food drive at the Braddock office which ended up collecting 248 pounds of food for the Annandale Food Site. Afterwards, he attended an opening ceremony for the new Student Services building at the Annandale Campus of NVCC.

On September 10, Supervisor Cook kicked off the Burke Centre Festival by saying a few words at the opening ceremony and flag raising. Supervisor Cook also spent some time at the Braddock District Office booth at the festival, which was filled with lots of great County information.



On September 11, Supervisor Cook attended a number of ceremonies as we all remembered the 10th anniversary of 9/11. He first attended a ceremony at Fairfax Memorial Cemetery before going to a wreath laying ceremony at the Burke Centre Festival. Later, he attended a County-wide event at the Government Center before going to a Patriot's Day ceremony at the Sherwood Center.

On September 14, Supervisor Cook hosted a meeting of the West Campus Connector Advisory Committee which is a citizen group tasked with assisting in the proposed bypass over 123.

On September 17, Supervisor Cook attended a picnic and open house at the Pinn Center for the Burke/West Springfield Senior Center Without Walls.

On September 20, Supervisor Cook attended a meeting for the Ravensworth-Bristow Civic Association which was held at Braddock Elementary School.

On September 23, Supervisor Cook attended the grand opening for the newly renovated LifeWorks Rehabilitation Center in Burke with Governor McDonnell, whose father had been a patient at the facility.

On September 24, Supervisor Cook helped to kick off another mini-walk for FACETS, this time at Robinson Square in Fairfax.



On September 26, Supervisor Cook attended a morning breakfast program put on by LifeCircle Alliances which was titled "Kudos for Community Caregivers." Later in the afternoon he held a Constituent Day for students and neighbors of George Mason University and then headed up to the Government Center for a community meeting for citizens in the Ridgeview area.

UP-TO-DATE LOOK AT ONGOING BRADDOCK DISTRICT LAND USE CASES

Commonwealth Swim Club, SE 2009-BR-020.

On September 27, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the proposal from T-Mobile and Commonwealth Swim Club to install a 120 foot telecommunications tower in the rear parking lot of the facility.

At the request of adjacent neighbors, the development conditions were strengthened to require T-Mobile and the club to work with the County Urban Forester to assess all existing shrubbery which buffered the parking lot and the tennis courts and remove those which are diseased or dying and replant with native species. The applicants have also agreed to be responsible for maintaining this vegetative screening.

Trinity Christian School, SEA 96-B-010-2.

On September 15, the Planning Commission approved the proposal by the school to expand the use of its facilities to include youth athletic groups, non-profit organizations like Scouts and theatre groups, and the Sunday use of its gathering space by a church group between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

As part of ongoing discussions with adjacent neighbors, the school has agreed to allow field use on either Saturday or Sunday, to enhance screening of an upper overflow parking lot and to further enhance its carpool program. A public hearing before the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for October 18, at 4:00 pm.

Citizens who wish to testify at this hearing can call 703-324-3151

or register on line at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/public.htm>

Ridgewood, RZ/FDP 2011-BR-014 (rendering below).

A community information meeting was hosted by Supervisor Cook on September 26 to hear about the current proposal to place 39



townhouses and a 35,000 square foot community serving office building flanking both sides of Government Center Parkway at its intersection with Ridge Top Road.

The office building site includes a half acre park. These parcels, which are part of a previously approved 2006 rezoning of a larger 18 acre site, were the subject of a

Springfield APR nomination that was approved in 2010.

The applicant is currently working with staff to ensure buffering of the townhomes, adequate open space, a better alignment of the residences with the street and to better delineate the design of the park space. A public hearing before the Planning Commission is scheduled for December 8.

WALMART BRINGS NEW SHOPPING EXPERIENCE TO FAIRFAX

The Walmart, located at 11181 Lee Highway, was opened to customers at 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 12 during a ribbon cutting ceremony attended by Supervisor Cook. As part of Walmart's

commitment to the communities in which it operates, grants were presented during the grand-opening celebration.

The new Fairfax Walmart will employ approximately 275 associates, according

to store manager Kevin Nechay and will include a full line of groceries, including a bakery, meat and dairy products, fresh produce and a deli serving fresh food and meal solutions.

Additionally, convenience services such as a digital photo processing center and a Walmart MoneyCenter will be offered as well.

In recent months, Walmart has taken major steps to refresh its stores, merchandising and customer experience. The improvements have all come together in the company's newest stores, such as the Fairfax Walmart, with fast service, a friendly shopping experience and clean stores.

The new Walmart features enhanced service and a layout designed to make the shopping experience more convenient for customers. Walmart aligned the departments that customers shop most frequently. The pharmacy, for example, is adjacent to food making it easier for customers to pick up their prescriptions while shopping for their groceries.

The 90,000 square foot store will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR BRADDOCK SENIORS

SENIOR CENTERS FOR ACTIVE ADULTS

Senior Centers for Active Adults offer opportunities to make friends, stay on the move, and learn new things. Fairfax County residents age 55 and over may join any of the 13 senior centers sponsored by the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services. For more information and to find a senior center near you visit: http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rec/senior_ctr/

GET ENGAGED! VOLUNTEER WITH THE AARP TAX-AIDE PROGRAM

AARP Tax-Aide is a free, national volunteer run tax counseling and preparation service for those with low- to moderate-income and for older adults. The program is currently in need of volunteers to electronically complete and file federal and state income tax forms for the 2012 tax season.

Volunteers of all ages and backgrounds are welcome and a free 5-day training using IRS computers and software is provided. Volunteers become IRS Certified Tax Counselors after completing the training and passing the IRS examination.

During the last tax season, more than 230 IRS Certified Tax Counselors in Northern Virginia completed over 8,000 tax returns.

Training sessions will be held in Alexandria, Annandale, and Centreville in December 2011 and January 2012.

Free tax preparation services will be offered at multiple locations starting February 1, 2012. Volunteers interested in the program should visit www.aarp.org/taxaide for additional information and registration.

MEDICARE OPEN SEASON BEGINS OCTOBER 15

Prepare now for Medicare Open Season (the annual election period). This year, Open Season begins October 15 and ends December 7. On Wednesday, October 26 at 11:00 am at the Little River Glen Senior Center, Medicare Expert Howard Houghton will discuss what you need to know about the 2012 Medicare health and drug plans. Houghton manages Fairfax County's Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (VICAP) and has been interviewed by the Washington Post, National Public Radio and the Wall Street Journal. VICAP provides county residents with assistance comparing and understanding Medicare plans as well as assistance with filing claims. This event is free. To register, call 703-503-8703, TTY 711, or email Karen.Gasper@fairfaxcounty.gov. For more information about VICAP, go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/va-insurance-counseling.htm

SUPERVISOR COOK HOSTS MEETING DESIGNED TO HELP COMMUNITY POOLS STAY AFLOAT

Over thirty people from area swim clubs attended a meeting on October 11 that Supervisor Cook hosted in Braddock Hall. Diane Johnson-Quinn, Department of Planning Zoning Permits Review Branch, Betsy Smith, Department of Public Works/Land Development Services, Marc Mordue, Department of Public Health and Ellen Eggerton, Ombudsman for Religious and Community Groups and Green Buildings were there to answer questions about when permits are needed to hold activities on the pool properties and what is necessary to begin the process of coming into compliance with new ADA guidelines for pools.

There were a lot of thoughtful questions and answers, as pool board members and managers are clearly concerned about the futures of their pools. Supervisor Cook's office will be working with Ellen Eggerton to put together a "one stop" list of contacts and phone numbers for county departments and federal agencies that can help pool groups with many of their questions.

Any swim clubs or HOAs that did not have representatives at the meeting may contact Ann Sharp at ann.sharp@fairfaxcounty.gov and/or Ellen Eggerton at ellen.eggerton@fairfaxcounty.gov for more information.

HELP OUT DURING OCTOBER'S LAKE ACCOTINK CLEAN-UP DAYS

The events are being organized by Friends of Accotink, a group committed to protecting, promoting and restoring the water quality, natural habitat, and ecological well-being of the Accotink Creek watershed.

The three Clean-up days in October are as follows:

1. Saturday, October 15, at Lake Accotink Park from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.
2. Saturday, October 22, at Accotink Creek near Pickett Road from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., near Barkley Road from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. and near Woodburn Road 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
3. Saturday, October 29, at Accotink Creek near Franconia-Springfield Parkway from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Hopefully you can make it out and offer your time to this very worthwhile effort.

HELP DESIGN THE ADDITION TO WAKEFIELD PARK SKATEPARK

The Fairfax County Park Authority will be developing an addition to the Wakefield Skatepark. They will be hosting a design review meeting in October in order to share the plans. A representative from Spohn Ranch Skateparks, a professional skatepark design / build firm, will be flying in from California to work with us.

Come share your input to help ensure that the skatepark built will be what you want!

The meeting will occur on October 26, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Audrey Moore RECenter 8100 Braddock Road.

COME OUT FOR A BIKE RODEO

West Springfield District Station's Neighborhood Patrol Unit will host a bicycle rodeo for grade school aged children (6-12) at the West Springfield District Station (6140 Rolling Road) on Saturday, October 29, 2011, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



Children will learn about bicycle safety and participate in a challenging obstacle course designed to reinforce safe riding. Additionally, the police department will have several police vehicles and equipment pieces on display along with a visit from McGruff the Crime Dog.

Families are welcome to stop by at anytime during the event. Group leaders with six or more children are asked to register by contacting the unit directly at: FCPDWSPNPU@FairfaxCounty.gov. Please include your group name, affiliation such as "Cub Scouts", along with the number of children who plan on attending.

All children who wish to participate are required to bring their own bicycle and a bicycle helmet that has been approved by the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

POLICE LAUNCH ONLINE FINANCIAL CRIME REPORTING

Phony checks, embezzlement, skimmed credit cards and identity theft are among the fastest growing and most prevalent crimes in Fairfax County. Detectives have investigated over 2,500 cases of ID theft alone, since 2009. To help streamline these complex financial investigations, detectives and technical staff worked together to create a new Financial Crime Online Reporting System (FICOR) for simpler reporting and quicker response rates for victims.

FICOR went "live" in September and police have received more than 300 reports from residents who've been victimized. Lieutenant Bob Blakely, former Financial Crimes Unit supervisor who helped establish the program, isn't surprised. "This new system increases the efficiency of our financial crime investigations. Victims are already understandably upset and angry when they've lost money; they don't know where to turn; we think this new system will help." Previously, residents called police and messages were left on a phone line, but due to staffing, holidays and weekends, victims may have perceived delays in response. The new system is much closer to real-time response. "Our strategic plan calls us to enhance our services and use manpower more effectively and the FICOR system does this," Blakely adds.

The system is one-of-a-kind. When detectives researched various online reporting systems, they didn't find what they wanted, so they built it from scratch. Seasoned detectives and officers, who have investigated these sorts of cases for many years, helped build the educational component of the site. Officers found many people aren't aware of what constitutes a crime, when police should investigate and what constitutes a civil matter rather than a law enforcement issue. Residents can learn about common fraud scams, construction fraud, credit card/check theft and fraud, and vital prevention steps. The new web feature clarifies these issues for the public; it's a one-stop shopping area for vital information concerning all aspects of financial crimes.

The FICOR section can be reached by visiting the Fairfax County home page, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police and clicking on financial crimes reporting.

FAIRFAX COUNTY BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Fairfax County Bicycle Advisory Committee has been working on the new master plan for the County. The plan includes identifying which existing trails and roads need to be fixed as well as looking for new and safer routes for people who use a bike for transportation. The end result will be completed by mid-year 2012 and will also include the printing of a new map to replace the older outdated version.

Details of the project can be found at <http://tooledesign.com/fairfax/>.

REMEMBER TO REPORT CRIMES

We are fortunate to be living in one of the safest parts of one of the safest counties in the United States. However, that does not mean we are totally crime free. There seems to be an increase in petty crimes in our neighborhoods – items taken out of cars, or from carports and unlocked garages and houses. But you wouldn't necessarily know it from looking at the police reports.

The Fairfax County police want to do what they can to keep crime out of our neighborhoods, but if these incidents are not reported, nothing can be done about them. Complaining to your HOA or civic association or Neighborhood Watch coordinator without calling the police won't help solve the crimes or find those who are committing them. It is important that you call the police to let them know about any suspicious activity, persons or events. If no one reports an incident, nothing can be done to prevent it in the future. The police use reports to track trends as well as to catch suspects, so it is important to report every crime. **The Police Non-Emergency number is 703-691-2131. Use it wisely, but use it.**

GET ENGAGED IN YOUR COMMUNITY, CLEANUP DAY OF AMERICANA DRIVE SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 22

The completion of the HOT Lanes sound walls along the Beltway have left several communities that face Americana Drive in Annandale with leftover tree debris rather than the tree buffer that was there in previous years. Recently the area has also seen an uptick in dumping of household debris. Now, after months of discussion, a community cleanup of Americana Drive has been announced for October 22, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Partnering with Supervisor Cook in this effort will be

staff from VDOT's Van Dorn Maintenance residency, participants from the HOT Lanes project, Dominion Virginia Power and inmates supervised by the Fairfax Sheriff.

Supervisor Cook invites you to join us, give an hour or two of your time and help to remove the trash from this right-of way between the new sound wall and Americana Drive. Community service hours will be given for this project. Middle and Elementary School Children should be accompanied by at least one adult.

To participate, or get more information, please call Rosemary Ryan of Supervisor Cook's staff at 703-425-4048. Participants will meet at the corner of Heritage and Americana Drive. Should you arrive later than the proposed start time, the clean-up crews will be moving South on Americana Drive.

VDOT will use some of this right of way for a demonstration project of urban roadway restoration, using native plants and trees.

OCTOBER 22ND IS VOLUNTEERFEST, SIGN UP TO HELP YOUR COMMUNITY

Volunteer Fairfax is holding its annual VolunteerFest on Saturday, October 21st throughout Fairfax County. There are events for every age group as well as varying types of activities. You can help pack boxes to send to deployed troops, help clean up library shelves and streambeds or even sorting and labeling clothing items for a local shelter.

Visit the Volunteer Fairfax website at <http://www.volunteerfairfax.org/individuals/volunteerfest.php> to look for opportunities and to sign up. Most events will go on rain or shine.

BLUEGILLS HAVE NEW HOME AFTER LAKE BARTON REHAB EFFORT

Over the last weekend in September, the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries released over 3,500 small bluegills into the newly dredged and stabilized Lake Barton.

County staff is currently working with DGIF to implement a full fish stocking next year that would include a variety of fish species such as bass, catfish and sunfish.

www.dgif.virginia.gov/fishing/

In addition to the bluegills, the Fairfax County Park Authority relocated approximately 200 fish to Lake Barton on the same day. These fish came from the upper lake at Twin Lakes Golf Course which is being drawn down to rehabilitate the dam and spillway.

The Fairfax County Park Authority staff coordinated this effort, and the released fish species included various sunfish, black crappies and largemouth bass.

The Lake Barton dredging project included shoreline stabilization, installation of fish habitat and wetland plantings which will be installed this fall.

These improvements as well as restoring the lake's capacity by removing over 30,000 cubic yards of sediment improves the overall lake water quality and aquatic habitat making it a better place for fish and wildlife. Fisherman in the

community should reap added enjoyment from these efforts.



Additional information on DGIF's fish stocking program is available at <http://>

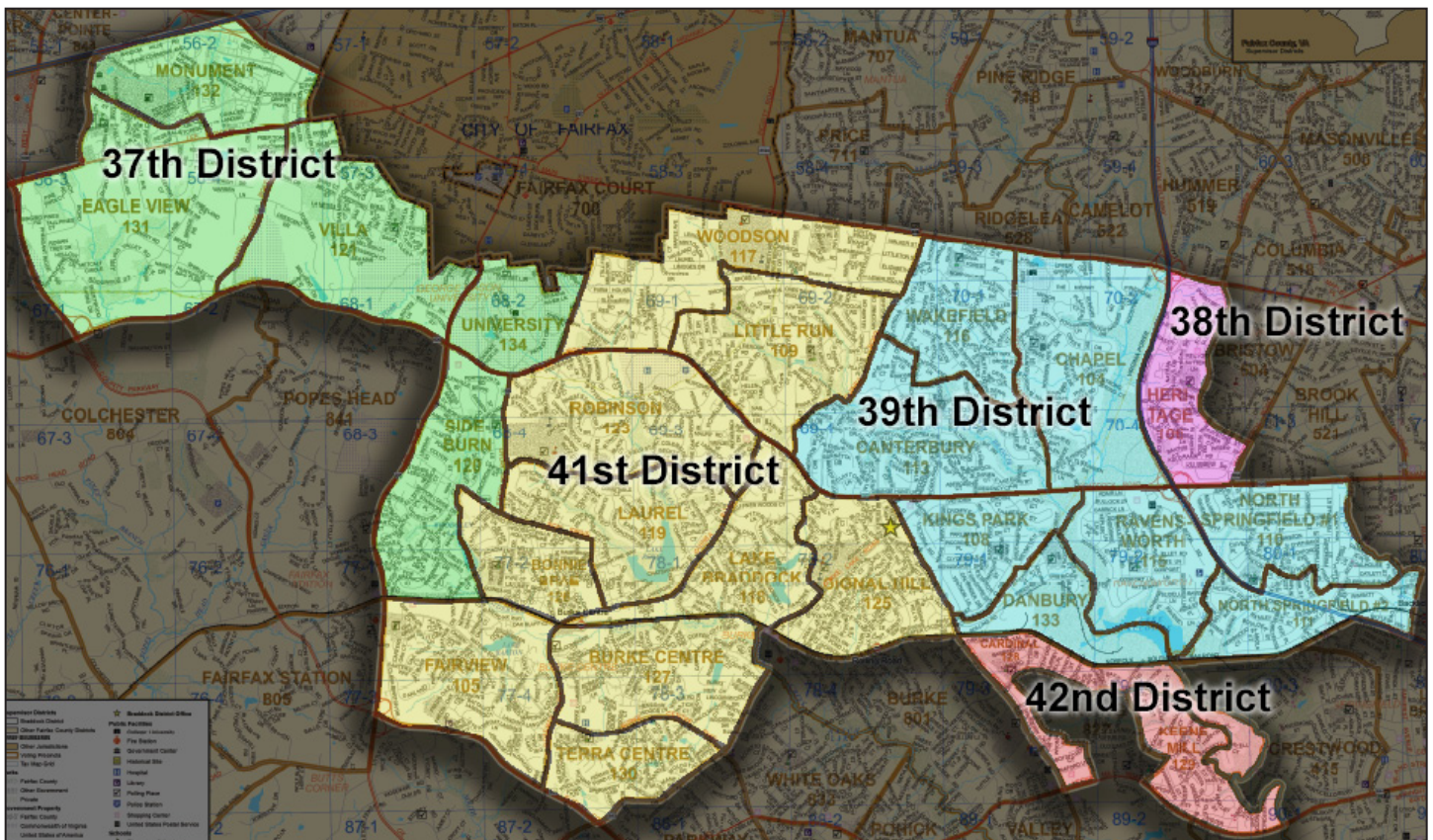
REVEGETATE: LIFE AFTER HOT LANES CONSTRUCTION



On Saturday, October 8, Supervisor Cook hosted a seminar on replanting areas impacted by the Hot Lanes Construction. The seminar was presented by the Fairfax County Restoration Project.

Participants learned that replanting these areas with native species can restore lost beauty and enhance privacy while also providing a home for beneficial wildlife.

NEW BOUNDARIES FOR HOUSE OF DELEGATE DISTRICTS IN BRADDOCK



NEW BOUNDARIES FOR STATE SENATE DISTRICTS IN BRADDOCK

